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the State's legislation repealing or amending the State's conforming legislation is received by the authorized officer. However, if a copy of the State's repealing or amending legislation is received after July 1, payments made directly to eligible units of local government shall not begin until the subsequent Federal fiscal year.

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§ 1881.2 Use of payments.

The monies paid to entitled units or local government may be used for any governmental purpose, except as noted in §1881.1–3(b) of this part.

§1881.3 Protests.

- (a) Computation of payments shall be based upon Federal land records, population data from the Bureau of the Census, payments made to units of local government through State government under the laws listed in section 4 of the Act as reported by State Governors, Federal payments made directly to units of local government under the laws listed in section 4 of the Act as reported by the disbursing Federal agency.
- (b) Any affected unit of local government may protest the results of the computations of its payment to the authorized officer.
- (c) Any protesting unit of local government shall submit sufficient evidence to show error in the computations or the data on which the computations are based.
- (d) All protests to the authorized officer shall be filed by the first business day of the calendar year following the end of the fiscal year for which the payments were made.
- (e) The authorized officer shall consult with the affected unit of local government and the administering agency to resolve conflicts in land records and other data sources.

§ 1881.4 Appeals.

Any affected unit of local government whose protest has been rejected by the authorized officer may appeal to the Interior Board of Land Appeals pursuant to the provisions of 43 CFR part 4.

Subpart 1882—Mineral Development Impact Relief Loans

AUTHORITY: Sec. 317(c), Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1740) (90 Stat. 2767).

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§ 1882.0-1 Purpose.

The purpose of this subpart is to establish procedures to be followed in the implementation of a program under section 317 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act to make loans to qualified States and their political subdivisions.

§ 1882.0-2 Objective.

The objective of the program is to provide financial relief through loans to those States and their political subdivisions that are experiencing adverse social and economic impacts as a result of the development of Federal mineral deposits leased under the provisions of the Act of February 25, 1920, as amended.

§ 1882.0-3 Authority.

Section 317(c) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1744), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to make loans to States and their political subdivisions to relieve social or economic impacts resulting from the development of Federal minerals leased under the Act of February 25, 1920 (30 U.S.C. 181 et sea.).

§ 1882.0-5 Definitions.

As used in this subpart, the term:

- (a) Secretary means the Secretary of the Interior.
- (b) *Director* means the Director, Bureau of Land Management.
- (c) *Act* means the Act of February 25, 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 181).

§ 1882.1 Loan fund, general.

Funds appropriated by Congress for loans for relief of adverse social and economic impacts resulting from the development of Federal mineral deposits leased and developed under the Act may be loaned to those States and their political subdivisions who qualify

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under this subpart. Such loans may be used for: (a) Planning, (b) construction and maintenance of public facilities, and (c) provisions for public services.

§ 1882.2 Qualifications.

(a) Any State receiving payments from the Federal Government under the provisions of section 35 of the Act or any political subdivision of such a State that can document to the satisfaction of the Director that it has suffered or will suffer adverse social and economic impacts as a result of the leasing and development of Federal mineral deposits under the provisions of the Act shall be considered qualified to receive loans made under this subpart.

(b) A loan to a qualified political subdivision of a State receiving payment from the Federal Government under the provisions of section 35 of the Act shall be conditioned upon a showing of proof, satisfactory to the Director, by the political subdivision that it has legal authority to pledge funds payable to the State under section 35 of the Act in sufficient amounts to secure the payment of the loan.

§ 1882.3 Application procedures.

No later than October 1 of the fiscal year in which a loan is to be made, the State or its political subdivision shall submit to the Director a letter signed by the authorized agent requesting a loan. The authorized agent shall furnish proof of authority to act for the State or political subdivision with the application. Such letter shall constitute a formal application for a loan under this subpart and shall contain the following:

- (a) The name of the State or political subdivision requesting the loan.
- ubdivision requesting the loan.

 (b) The amount of the loan requested.
- (c) The name, address, and position of the person in the State or political subdivision who is to serve as contact on all matters concerning the loan.
- (d) A description and documentation of the adverse social and economic impacts suffered as a result of the leasing and development of Federal mineral deposits.
- (e) An analysis and documentation of the additional expenses generated as a

result of the leasing and development of Federal minerals.

- (f) Proposed uses of the funds derived from the loan.
- (g) Evidence that the loan and repayment provisions are authorized by State law.
- (h) The Director may request any additional information from the applicant that is needed to properly act on the loan application. The applicant shall furnish such additional information in any form acceptable to the applicant and the Director. No loan shall be granted unless such additional information is timely received by the Director.

§ 1882.4 Allocation of funds.

If applications for loans exceed the funds appropriated for such purpose, loans shall be allocated among the States and their political subdivisions in a fair and equitable manner, after consultation with the Governors of the affected States, giving priority to those States and political subdivisions suffering the most severe social and economic impacts. The allocation of funds under this section shall be the final action of the Department of the Interior.

§ 1882.5 Terms and conditions.

§ 1882.5-1 Tenure of loan.

Loans shall be for a period not to exceed 10 years. Loan documents shall include a schedule of repayment showing the amount of the principal and interest due on each installment.

§ 1882.5-2 Interest rate.

Loans shall bear interest at a rate equivalent to the lowest interest rate paid on an issue of at least \$1 million of bonds exempt from Federal taxes of the applicant State or any agency thereof within the calendar year immediately preceding the year of the loan. Proof of each rate shall be furnished by an applicant with its application.

§ 1882.5–3 Limitation on amount of loans.

Total outstanding loans under this program for qualified States or their political subdivisions shall not exceed the total amount of the qualified